

Security begins at home.

Join your Neighborhood Watch!



Neighborhoods

Communities

State

Nation

Safe Tennessee



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Understand Your Role.

Basic awareness and attention to detail can act as a deterrent against terrorism. Citizens have already helped stop terrorist attacks, and with increased involvement, we can prevent terrorism throughout Tennessee. Never assume your observation doesn't matter; your information is critical. By participating in Neighborhood Watch and understanding your role, you're helping protect your neighborhood, your community, your state and your nation.

Be on the Look Out.

Acts of terrorism are preventable. In most cases there are observable signs that precede an attack. Terrorist cells and their supporters take certain steps in preparation of an attack. Be on the look out for suspicious activity. This guide offers several indicators that may help you prevent a terrorist attack.

What's Wrong with This Picture?

Keep an eye out for suspicious persons and activities.

- Unusual vehicles in unusual places.
- Storage facilities being visited at unusual times.
- Blacked-out windows in residential structures.
- Meetings being held in unusual locations.

Why Are They So Interested in That?

Be aware of possible surveillance and unusual questions.

- Unusual interest in public utilities, public gatherings, government buildings, etc.
- Photographs, drawings, or other information being gathered at public utilities, government buildings, and industry.
- Repeatedly being in the same place at the same time, for no apparent reason.
- Unusual or repeated requests for information about a specific location.
- Attempts to gain sensitive information of key facilities or personnel.

Why Do They Have All That?

Look out for the stockpiling of equipment and supplies.

- Large quantities of propane, lawn fertilizer, explosives, pesticides, or similar materials being stored or purchased.
- Unusual odors coming from a home or storage facility.
- Blueprints, diagrams, or photographs of area facilities being collected.
- Large quantities of equipment/supplies being moved at unusual hours.

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Get Active.

Take an active role in defending your home and your homeland. Always report suspicious persons or activities to your local law enforcement agency, and get involved in Neighborhood Watch by calling our toll free number **1.888.646.6352**.

If Something or Someone Looks Suspicious, Apply the S.C.A.N. Method.

- **SEE** suspicious or unusual behavior.
- **CONFIRM** the accuracy of your observations. If you believe that making contact would put you at risk or in danger, then document your observations by writing them down as soon as it is safe.
- **ASK** If approached or should you approach an individual, be polite and assess their reaction. Never be confrontational.
- **NOTIFY** your local law enforcement agency.

Other Important Numbers.

Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI)

Tennessee Regional Information Center (TRIC)

.....(877) 250-2333

Homeland Security Offices

Headquarters(615) 532-7825

Morristown(423) 318-2566

Columbia(931) 840-4134

Jackson(731) 265-7066

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF)

Knoxville(865) 544-0751

Nashville(615) 292-5159

Memphis(615) 747-4300

*Working together, we can
prevent terrorism in Tennessee!*

Neighborhood Watch is still the same program that has become the trusted standard in community crime prevention across the nation. Tennessee Office of Homeland Security is enhancing the Neighborhood Watch program to ensure continued service to Tennessee communities in all facets of protection. We strongly encourage everyone to join Neighborhood Watch. Just remember, even if you aren't a Neighborhood Watch member, you can still do your part to keep your neighborhood, your community, your state and your nation safe. Be on the lookout for the activities mentioned in this brochure, and never hesitate to report suspicious activities to your local law enforcement agency.

To join a Neighborhood Watch or create a program, contact your local law enforcement agency, or
Tennessee Office of Homeland Security at

1-888-646-6352

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